Joseph H. Harrington 1 FILED IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT Acting United States Attorney 2 EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON Eastern District of Washington 3 Michael D. Murphy Assistant United States Attorney AUG 1 0 2021 4 402 E. Yakima Avenue, Suite 210 5 SEAN F. MCAVOY, CLERK Yakima, Washington 98901 (509) 454-4425 6 YAKIMA, WASHINGTON 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 10 1:21-CR-2032-SMJ Plaintiff, 11 **INDICTMENT** 12 v. Vio: 18 U.S.C. §§ 1153, 2241(c): 13 Aggravated Sexual Abuse (Counts 1, 2) THOMAS ALEX MORRISON, JR., 14 15 Defendant. 16 17 The Grand Jury charges: 18 Count 1 19 20 On a date unknown, but between on or about September 1, 2011, and on or 21 about September 1, 2012, within the external boundaries of the Yakama Nation 22 Indian Reservation, in Indian Country, in the Eastern District of Washington, the 23 24 Defendant, THOMAS ALEX MORRISON, JR., an Indian, did knowingly engage 25 in a sexual act and attempt to engage in a sexual act with Minor 1, an Indian, to 26 27 wit, the intentional touching, not through the clothing, of the genitalia of Minor 1, 28 a minor who had not attained the age of 12 years, and such touching was done with

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an intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, degrade, arouse and gratify the sexual desire of any person, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1153, 2241(c).

COUNT 2

On a date unknown, but between on or about February 4, 2011, and on or about February 4, 2013, within the external boundaries of the Yakama Nation Indian Reservation, in Indian Country, in the Eastern District of Washington, the Defendant, THOMAS ALEX MORRISON, JR., an Indian, did knowingly engage in a sexual act and attempt to engage in a sexual act with Minor 2, to wit, the intentional touching, not through the clothing, of the genitalia of Minor 2, a minor who had not attained the age of 12 years, and such touching was done with an intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, degrade, arouse and gratify the sexual desire of any person, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1153, 2241(c).

DATED this 10 day of August 2021.

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